

Book Review

Independent Reading

1. Precis

Provide a precis for your book in the form that we learned earlier this semester followed by a sentence or two explaining why you chose the book.

2. Opinion

The goal of a book review is to share your opinions about the book you have read. Make 3-4 main points about the book. Each point should be a separate paragraph. Do not use all of the below prompts in one review. Pick just 3 or 4 and write about them in detail.

The following is just a list of suggestions to get you started. You may have more valid and infinitely more interesting approaches.

The author's argument appealed to me because... OR did not appeal to me because...

I like... OR I did not like...

I found _____ interesting because...

The most/least interesting part was...

I wonder why the author...

This reminds me of... OR This is similar to...

I wanted to know more about...

I was surprised by...

I was impressed by...

I noticed that...

Support each main point with detailed examples from the book that are clearly and completely explained.

3. Rating

Give the book an overall rating (5 star) and explain why you rated it as you did. Tell whether or not you would recommend this book to someone else. Who might enjoy/dislike this kind of book? Why?

4. Bibliography

An alphabetical list of the materials you used to prepare the review. Your book as well as other reference sources. The Works Cited entry should be in MLA format.